



Hokkaido Railway Travel

北海道レールパス

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS

Enjoy unlimited rides on JR Hokkaido trains (except Hokkaido Shinkansen) within validity period!

Please purchase an Exchange Order for the Hokkaido Rail Pass at a designated travel agent in your country, or purchase the Hokkaido Rail Pass at the designated station in Japan. The pass is available only for visitors from abroad who enter Japan with a non-Japanese passport under the entry status of "Temporary Visitor". At the time of exchange or purchase at a designated station in Japan, you will be asked to present your passport with the "Temporary Visitor" stamp/sticker you received.

Types	3-Day	5-Day	7-Day	Flexible 4-Day
Adults	¥17,400	¥23,480	¥25,710	¥23,480
Children (Age 6-11)	¥8,700	¥11,740	¥12,850	¥11,740

* For flexible 4-day pass, starting date of the validity period cannot be selected. The purchase or exchange date will be the first day of the validity period. Please select any 4 days in the 10-day period. (Example: For a pass purchased or exchanged on December 1, any 4 days may be selected between December 1 and December 10.)

*Hokkaido Rail Pass cannot be used for Hokkaido Shinkansen, the South Hokkaido Railway, streetcar and subway.

As Hokkaido is a big island, it takes time to move around.

The distance between Sapporo and Kushiro (348.5km) is almost the same as the distance between Tokyo and Nagoya (366km). The longer you take JR trains, the more it will cost. Therefore, the rail pass is recommended.

Sapporo – (136.8km) – Asahikawa

Required time: approx. 1 hr. 25 min.

Tokyo – (146.8km) – Karuizawa
Hokuriku Shinkansen

Sapporo – (318.7km) – Hakodate

Required time: approx. 3 hr. 40 min.

Tokyo – (333.9km) – Niigata
Joetsu Shinkansen

Sapporo – (348.5km) – Kushiro

Required time: approx. 4 hr. 10 min.

Tokyo – (366km) – Nagoya
Tokaido Shinkansen

Sapporo – (396.2km) – Wakkanai

Required time: approx. 5 hr. 10 min.

Tokyo – (391.9km) – Toyama
Hokuriku Shinkansen



A very good deal!

For example

When you travel by train, it costs 2,300 yen between New Chitose Airport and Sapporo for round trip, and 16,220 yen between Sapporo and Hakodate (Reserved seat on limited express train) for round trip. The total amount is 18,520 yen.

Hokkaido Rail Pass 3-Day is 17,400 yen.

Buying the pass is cheaper.

Let's compare the size of Hokkaido ▶ and your country!



Get a Hokkaido Rail Pass and enjoy unlimited train rides in Hokkaido within validity period!

○ The pass can be used for local, rapid, limited express and sightseeing trains etc.

*except Hokkaido Shinkansen

○ Reserved seats are also available for use.

*Although there is no additional charge, a reserved seat ticket will be required for using a reserved seat.

Recommended route A

Applicable season: Spring Summer Fall Winter

Northern Hokkaido and the Mysterious Islands

Sapporo/Asahikawa/Furano/Biei/Rishiri/Rebun 6 Days

Day 1	New Chitose Airport Sta.	Rapid Airport train Approx. 37 min.	Sapporo Sta.	Lodging	Sapporo
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ①					
	Sapporo Sta.	Ltd. Exp. Kamui / Ltd. Exp. Lilac Approx. 1 hr. 25 min.	Asahikawa Sta.	Furano-Biei Norokko Train Approx. 1 hr. 15 min.	
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ②					
Day 2	Lavender-Farm Sta.	Farm Tomita	Lavender-Farm Sta.	Furano-Biei Norokko Train Approx. 40 min.	Biei Sta. Sightseeing in Biei
	Biei Sta.	Asahikawa Sta.	Lodging	Asahikawa	
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ③					
Day 3	Asahikawa Sta.	Ltd. Exp. Soya / Ltd. Exp. Sorobetsu Approx. 3 hr. 40 min.	Wakanai Sta.	Wakanai Port	
	Ferry	Rebun Island	Sightseeing in Rebun Island	Lodging	Rebun Island
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ④					
Day 4	Rebun Island	Ferry Approx. 40 min.	Rishiri Island	Sightseeing in Rishiri Island	
			Lodging	Rishiri Island	
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ⑤					
Day 5	Rishiri Island	Ferry Approx. 1 hr. 50 min.	Wakanai Port	Exploring Wakanai	
	Wakanai Sta.	Ltd. Exp. Soya Approx. 5 hr. 10 min.	Sapporo Sta.	Lodging	Sapporo
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ⑥					
Day 6	Sightseeing in Sapporo	Sapporo Sta.	Rapid Airport train Approx. 37 min.	New Chitose Airport Sta.	

The recommended Hokkaido Rail Pass is

Flexible 4-Day

特急カムイ
Ltd. Exp. Kamui

① Sapporo ↔ Asahikawa

Required time: approx. 1 hr. 25 min.



特急ライラック
Ltd. Exp. Lilac

① Sapporo ↔ Asahikawa

Required time: approx. 1 hr. 25 min.



Hokkaido Rail Pass cannot be used for Hokkaido Shinkansen and the South Hokkaido Railway.

特急すらん
Ltd. Exp. Suzuran

① Sapporo ↔ Noboribetsu ↔ Murotan

Required time: approx. 1 hr. 15 min.

特急スーパー北斗
Ltd. Exp. Super Hokuto

① Sapporo ↔ Hakodate

Required time: approx. 3 hr. 40 min.

Recommended route B

Applicable season: Spring Summer Fall Winter

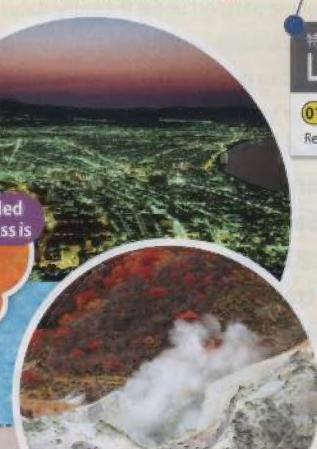
Southern Hokkaido Golden Route

Noboribetsu/Hakodate/Sapporo/Otaru 4 Days

Day 1	New Chitose Airport Sta.	Rapid Airport train Approx. 3 min.	Minami-Chitose Sta.	Ltd. Exp. Suzuran Approx. 43 min.	Noboribetsu Sta.	Local Bus Approx. 15 min.	Lodging	Noboribetsu Hot Springs
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ②								
Day 2	Exploring Noboribetsu Hot Springs	Local Bus Approx. 15 min.	Noboribetsu Sta.	Ltd. Exp. Super Hokuto Approx. 2 hr. 30 min.	Hakodate Sta.	Lodging	Hakodate or Yunokawa Hot Springs	
HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ③								
Day 3	Exploring Hakodate	Hakodate Sta.	Ltd. Exp. Super Hokuto Approx. 3 hr. 40 min.	Sapporo Sta.	Local Train Approx. 40 min.	Sapporo Sta.	Lodging	Sapporo
Day 4	Sightseeing in Sapporo	Sapporo Sta.	Rapid Airport train Approx. 37 min.	New Chitose Airport Sta.				

The recommended Hokkaido Rail Pass is

3-Day



Sightseeing trains

Seasonal trains

特急フラノラベンダーエクスプレス
Furano Lavender Express

① Sapporo ↔ Furano

It's just 2 hours from Sapporo to Furano, the land of flowers! Take in the grand scenery of Hokkaido from the large windows and skylights!

SL冬の湿原号 All reserved seating

SL Fuyuno-Shitsugen Train

① Kushiro ↔ Shiretoko

The SL Fuyuno Shitsugen train ploughing through the sparkling white, snowy fields of the Kushiro Wetlands, is a typical winter scene of Kushiro.

*Seats for sightseeing trains and temporary trains

Rebun Island
礼文島

Rishiri Island
利尻島



Which Hokkaido Rail Pass is suitable for my trip?

If you plan to take trains every day to travel around Hokkaido, "3, 5 or 7-day" pass is recommended. (*This is for consecutive use.)

If you plan to stay at one place for 2 nights or don't take trains every day, "Flexible 4-day" pass is recommended! (*This can be used for any 4 days within 10 days from the exchange or purchase date.)

Please use a pass that is suitable for your itinerary and enjoy Hokkaido trip economically!

*Validity period of the pass is based on calendar days.

It's not based on 24 hours periods.

*Hokkaido Rail Pass does not cover the fares for local bus and ferry.
Additional charge is required.

*If you take trains on the day you don't use the Hokkaido Rail Pass, you need to purchase tickets separately.

★ For tourist information for each route and other recommended routes, please visit [here](#).



The recommended
Hokkaido Rail Pass is

7-Day

Eastern Hokkaido Round Tour



Asahikawa/Abashiri/Utoro/Lake Akan 7 Days

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Day 1 New Chitose Airport Sta. → Sapporo Sta. (Rapid Airport train, Approx. 37 min.) → Lodging → Sapporo

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ②

Day 2 Sapporo Sta. → Asahikawa Sta. (Ltd. Exp. Kamui / Ltd. Exp. Lilac, Approx. 1 hr. 25 min.) → Lodging → Asahikawa (Sightseeing in Asahikawa)

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ③

Day 3 Asahikawa Sta. → Abashiri Sta. (Ltd. Exp. Oikhotsk / Ltd. Exp. Taisetsu, Approx. 3 hr. 50 min.) → Lodging → Abashiri (Sightseeing in Abashiri)

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ④

Day 4 Abashiri Sta. → Shiretoko-Shari Sta. (Local Train, Approx. 50 min.) → Shiretoko-Shari Sta. → Utoro Hot Springs (Local Bus, Approx. 50 min.) → Lodging → Utoro Hot Springs (Sightseeing in Utoro)

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ⑤

Day 5 Utoro Hot Springs → Shiretoko-Shari Sta. (Local Bus, Approx. 50 min.) → Shiretoko-Shari Sta. → Kushiro Sta. (Local Train, Approx. 2 hr. 40 min.) → Akanko Hot Springs (Local Bus, Approx. 1 hr. 50 min.) → Lodging → Akanko Hot Springs (Sightseeing in Kushiro)

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ⑥

Day 6 Exploring Lake Akan → Akanko Hot Springs (Local Bus, Approx. 1 hr. 50 min.) → Kushiro Sta. → Sapporo Sta. (Ltd. Exp. Super Ozora, Approx. 4 hr. 10 min.) → Lodging → Sapporo (Sightseeing in Lake Akan)

HOKKAIDO RAIL PASS ⑦

Day 7 Sapporo Sta. → New Chitose Airport Sta. (Rapid Airport train, Approx. 37 min.)

*The information is current as of September 2019. Please note that the contents are subject to change.

How to purchase Hokkaido Rail Pass

● Purchasing outside Japan

① Please purchase an Exchange Order at the designated travel agents before coming to Japan.

*You can check the travel agents that sell the Exchange Orders from QR code below.
*When you purchase an Exchange Order, please check that your name written on the Exchange Order is completely the same as the one on your passport.
*An Exchange Order is valid for 3 months from the purchase date.
*The price of the Exchange Order may fluctuate depending on exchange rate.



① Purchase an Exchange Order in advance

② After arriving in Japan, please exchange your Exchange Order for the Hokkaido Rail Pass at the designated counters in Hokkaido.

*Exchange Orders cannot be exchanged at the designated JR EAST counters outside Hokkaido.

★At the time of exchange or purchase at a designated station in Japan, you will be asked to present your passport with the "Temporary Visitor" stamp/sticker you received.

*If you use an automated gate at immigration when entering Japan, the "Temporary Visitor" stamp/sticker will not be applied to your passport. Please use either a manned automated gate or ask a clerk to apply the stamp/sticker to your passport.

● Purchasing in Japan

The pass can be purchased at the designated counters below by cash (Japanese yen only) or credit card.

*Also, the pass can be purchased at the designated JR EAST Travel Service Center, etc. outside Hokkaido.

① Purchase after arriving in Japan



Exchange/purchase counters for Hokkaido Rail Pass

*The designated counters for exchange and purchase are subject to change.
*Some JR Travel Service Centers are closed during the New Year holidays.



JR Information Desk is a counter for visitors from abroad. Services are available in English, Chinese or Korean. (There are cases that we may not be able to provide services in your preferred language.) We exchange the Exchange Order for every kind of rail pass and sell JR tickets.

Sapporo • JR Information Desk Station • JR Travel Service Center (Twinkle Plaza) Sapporo Branch



New Chitose Airport Station • JR Information Desk

Shin-Hakodate-Hokuto Station

Hakodate Station
• JR Travel Service Center (Twinkle Plaza)

Asahikawa Station
• JR Travel Service Center (Twinkle Plaza)

Kushiro Station
• JR Travel Service Center (Twinkle Plaza)

Noboribetsu Station

Obihiro Station
• JR Travel Service Center (Twinkle Plaza)

Abashiri Station

Hokkaido Rail Pass can be purchased at JR EAST Travel Service Center, etc.

(*Purchase only, exchange cannot be made.)

• Narita Airport Terminal 1 • Narita Airport Terminal 2-3
• Haneda Airport International Terminal (Tokyo Monorail)
• Tokyo Station • Shinjuku Station
• Shinjuku Station (East Exit) • Ikebukuro Station
• Shibuya Station • Ueno Station • Hamamatsucho Station

Exchange and purchase can only be made during office hours. For office hours of the designated counters, please visit our website.
<http://www2.jrhokkaido.co.jp/global/english/ticket/railpass/rail02.html>

How to use

● Please go through a manned ticket gate.

Automatic ticket gate cannot be used for the Hokkaido Rail Pass. Please go through a manned ticket gate and show the validity period to a station staff. You will get a date stamp from a station staff on the start day of use for 3-day, 5-day, and 7-day passes, or on each day of use for flexible 4-day pass.



● For passengers with reserved seat tickets:

Reserved seat tickets for rail pass cannot be used through the automatic ticket gate. Please show your rail pass and a reserved seat ticket to the staff at the gate.

● For passengers using non-reserved seats:

Please show only your rail pass to the staff at the gate.

How to reserve seats

● Please make sure to receive reserved seat tickets before boarding if you plan to use reserved seats. (Seats cannot be reserved on a train.)



① Online reservation (JR-EAST Train Reservation)

Seat reservations can be made by using JR-EAST Train Reservation.

*Tickets reserved online should be collected before 9:00 p.m. of the day before you ride the train at a designated station or JR Travel Service Center during office hours.

*As JR-EAST Train Reservation cannot be used if you plan to collect your tickets on the same day as you ride a train, please receive the reserved seat tickets by showing your Hokkaido Rail Pass at JR Ticket Counter (Midori-no-madoguchi).

*Seats for sightseeing trains and temporary trains cannot be reserved.

Reservation



② Apply at a station

Please apply for reserved seat tickets at the JR Ticket Counter (Midori-no-madoguchi) or JR Travel Service Center (Twinkle Plaza) in the major JR Hokkaido stations.



JR Ticket Counter
(Midori-no-madoguchi)



JR Travel Service Center
(Twinkle Plaza)



Timetable search

You can search timetable for all the trains in Hokkaido. Departure and arrival time, transfer information, and travel time etc can be searched by entering the station names of the section you will use. (English only)

Free Wi-Fi Service

Free Wi-Fi service is available at the major stations in Hokkaido. For more details, please visit our website.



For information on the latest sightseeing trains and train service status etc., please visit our website.

<http://www2.jrhokkaido.co.jp/global/index.html>



Special offer

Hokkaido Rail Pass users can receive various kinds of special offers such as discounts for JR Rent-A-Car or facilities in Hokkaido. For more details, please visit our website.



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